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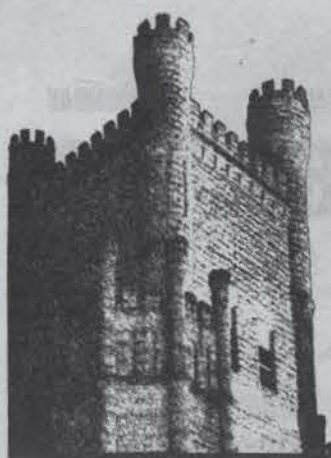
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"Tell the truth and don't be afraid."

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Department receives \$407,000

National Science Foundation awards chemistry department a grant to buy new nuclear spectrometer

BY MICHAEL PETERSON
STAFF REPORTER

Because of the good student-professor relations at Eastern, the National Science Foundation awarded Eastern a \$407,000 grant.

In addition to having good student-professor relations, Barbara Lawrence, an associate professor in Eastern's chemistry department, said she feels the grant, which she and chemistry professor Ellen Keiter co-wrote, was awarded to Eastern because of the research that is being done by different professors. At least six professors wrote descriptions of their research in the proposal, and Lawrence said she thinks that highly contributed to being awarded the grant.

The chemistry department used the grant to buy and install a new nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer in the Physical Science Building.

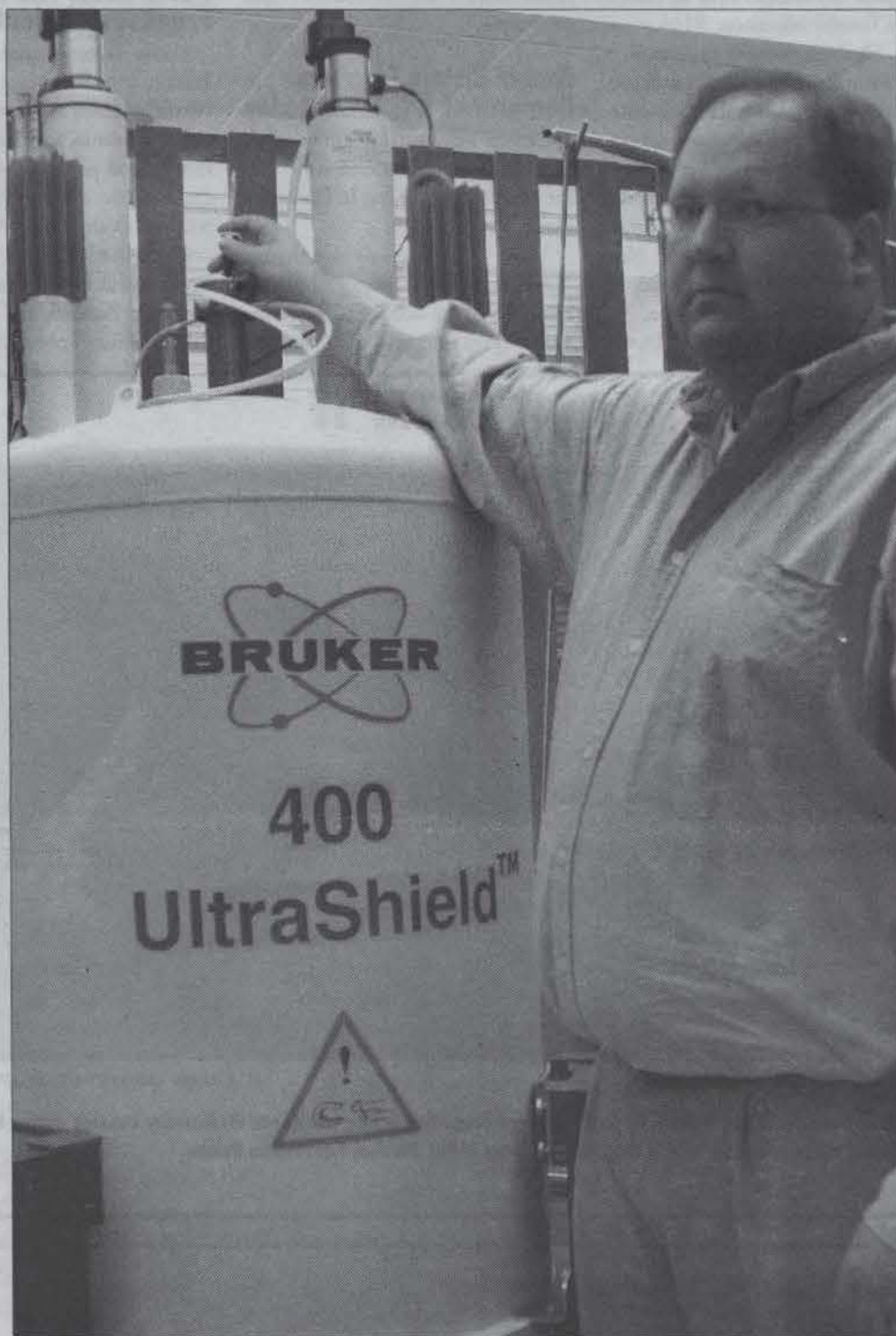
"It is very helpful for students," Keiter said. "Thanks to the machine, they will be able to get an up-to-date education."

Lawrence explained that the spectrometer is used to find out the chemical structure of a substance.

"I study spider silk and I used to have to go other universities to examine them," Lawrence said.

She also said the new spectrometer replaces an older spectrometer that was more than 10 years old.

Lawrence said the old machine was practically obsolete because it wasn't able to do a lot of modern experiments. The company that made the spectrometer was no longer supporting it so that made it difficult to find replacement parts.



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Aaron Lineberry, a senior chemistry major, places a test vial into the new Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy located in the Physical Science building.

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Students get chance to see where fees go

BY DAVID THILL
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Eastern students will get the chance to learn how their money is getting spent directly from those who spend it.

The Tuition and Fee Review Forum will be held tonight in the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and will feature nearly a dozen administrators and department chairs to discuss the manner in which students' fees are spent, said Mark Bates, chair of the tuition and fee review committee of the Student Senate.

The forum will be a "general breakdown" of the fees, Bates said.

The forum should provide a unique opportunity for students to further understand where their money is going without having to deal with "all the red tape," Bates said.

"I'm sure there are some students who have questions," he said. "All the heads of the departments will be there as well as (Vice President for Financial Affairs) Jeff Colley, (Vice President for Student Affairs) Dan Nadler. There should be a variety of individuals there."

Jillian Ruddy, student vice president for business affairs, said the forum would be a "really great tool for students."

"Not a lot of student are interested in where their money is going," Ruddy said. However, if students see where their money goes they may become more interested, she said.

"It's a great opportunity for students to ask questions like 'why is this fee so much?' or 'how does this affect me?'" Ruddy said.

Bates agreed saying it will provide an opportunity for administrators to hear feedback from students.

"After all, students are the reason they have the services," Bates said.

One of the area students may want to inquire in specific is the student activity fee, Ruddy said.

"I think students definitely need to know where the student activity fee is going," she said. "I also think it will be interesting to see where the athletic fee goes."

Bates said there would be 200 open seats in the meeting, but he would like to see even more.

"We would take one million if they could fit in the room," Bates said. "We would also take one or two if they have questions."

The forum will be in held at 7 p.m. today in the Grand Ballroom in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

STUDENT SENATE

Safer advising may be on the way

BY DAVID THILL
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Eastern students and advisers alike may soon have protection from potential mistakes during advising sessions.

Student Senate discussed a resolution to create a standardized advising sheet for colleges at Eastern. The advising sheets would protect both students and professors, said Jeffrey Collier, member of the academic affairs committee.

Collier used his own adviser as an example.

"Ironically, I went to go see my adviser today, and she's a very good adviser, and she gave me this," Collier said as he held up a sticky



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Academic affairs chair Jill David, center, explains the specifics of Senate Resolution 05-06-06 at the Student Senate meeting on Wednesday night. The resolution was passed 25-2.

note. "Now my adviser has never done anything incorrectly for me, but this can open herself up for students to falsely accuse her. Accidents

happen, it's protection for both."

Senate member Tori Frazier then asked academic affairs chair Jill David how often students actually accuse advisers of mistakes.

"It does happen, quite a bit," David said. "The biggest problem is students will say 'I can't graduate. I haven't filled this requirement. It's all my adviser's fault.'"

Keila Lacy, student vice president for student affairs, said this resolution would hold all parties responsible.

"This holds students accountable," she said. "They have to take into consideration that (advisers) are human, too. This is a good thing."

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Tuition and Fee Review Forum

- ♦ 7 p.m. today in Grand Ballroom
- ♦ Administrators will discuss where students' tuition and fees go

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

RHA to elect treasurer at meeting

The Residence Hall Association will elect a new treasurer at its meeting at 5 p.m. in Andrews Hall basement. As of Tuesday afternoon, RHA president Elizabeth Gergits said there is one formally nominated candidate, but the organization will accept write-in nominees at tonight's meeting.

Members will vote whether to make a donation to Project Lazarus. The project, which is put on by the Newman Center, will consist of a trip to New Orleans over Thanksgiving Break to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Also at tonight's meeting, RHA will

continue a discussion of whether smoking should be permitted on designated floors of certain residence halls on campus.

Annual History Teachers Conference hits Union today

Eastern will host the 26th annual History Teachers Conference today in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

The conference's theme, "Challenges and Choices: Teaching History and the Social Studies in the Twenty-First Century," will feature six

concurrent sessions.

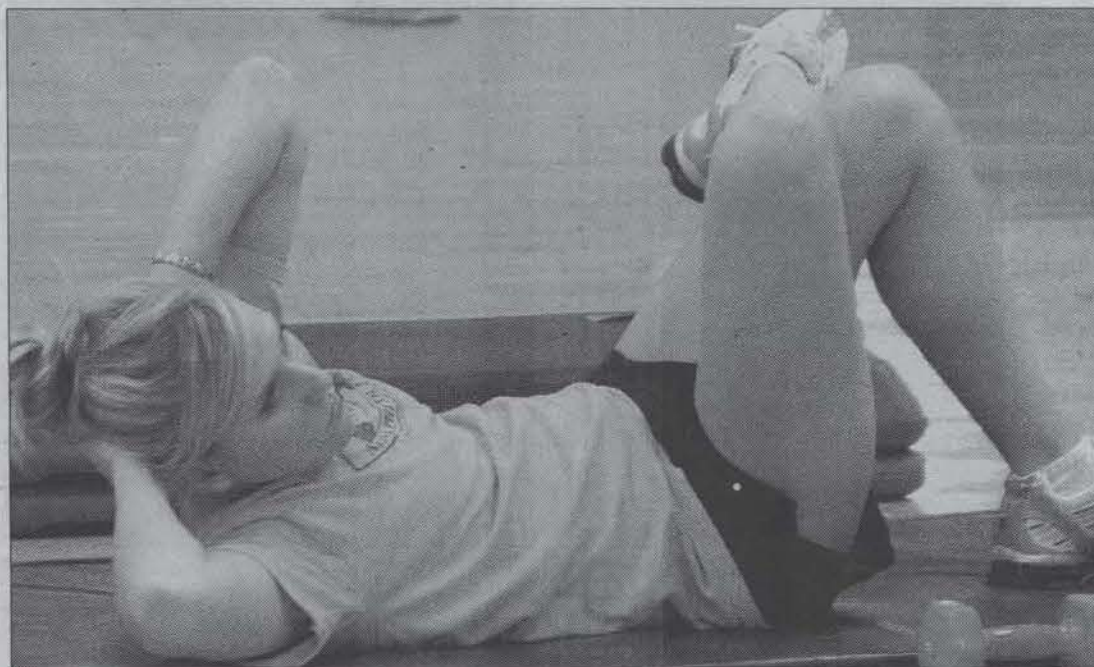
Booth holds two more Frankenstein lectures

Booth Library's ongoing program, *Frankenstein: Penetrating the Secrets of Nature*, will have two more events today.

Jose Deustua, associate professor of history, will address the influence of *Frankenstein* in Latin American at 4 p.m. in Booth Library Room 4440.

Parley Ann Boswell, professor of English, will be moderating the film "Bride of Frankenstein" at 7 p.m. in Booth Library Room 3202.

WORKIN' IT



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Nikki Godzicki, a sophomore foreign language education major, works out Wednesday evening during the Total Toning class, which is held in the workout room of the Student Recreation Center.

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY NEWS

White Sox celebration costs thousands

By JAMIE SMITH

THE DAILY VIDETTE (ILLINOIS STATE U.)

NORMAL — The celebration that occurred Oct. 26, the night the Chicago White Sox won the World Series, caused damages that are estimated at thousands of dollars.

"We had a lot of street signs pulled down, bent and stolen, concrete garbage cans turned over and cracked and vending machines tipped over," Normal Police Lt.

Mark Kotte said. "We also had squad car damage."

Other damage included vandalism at several construction sites. Businesses and several residences along Main Street incurred broken windows and some students threw rocks and other materials, according to the Normal Police Department.

Kotte estimated the damage to be in the thousands of dollars. There were no injuries reported and one arrest did take place.

Normal Police Lt. Dave Warner explained who would be responsible for the cost of the damages.

"The damage that was done to town-owned property will be paid through town budget, which is tax dollars," Warner said. "Private business and some private property that were damaged is all on the owner of the property to fix."

Both ISU and other local police departments said they anticipated a celebration of some sort.

WTF?

\$600,000 will buy a house, bride

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

DENVER — For \$600,000, a 40- to 60-year-old man can buy a house in a trendy Denver neighborhood that comes complete with a bride.

Deborah Hale, 48, has placed an

ad on eBay offering to sell her home in the Washington Park area to a compatible man who wants to spend his life with her. She also has her own Web site outlining the deal.

"I'm looking for my soulmate," Hale told the Rocky Mountain News Tuesday. She did not immedi-

ately return a telephone message left at her home Wednesday.

Hale lives part-time in the 1910 bungalow-style house. She also has a jewelry business in Albuquerque, N.M.

She has received about 60 responses.

TODAY'S EVENTS

Textbook Rental

All Day | Textbook return deadline for fall 2005 semester is Dec. 16th.
Textbook Rental

Flu Shot Clinics

9:30 a.m. | Flu shot clinics will be held from 9:30-11 a.m. and at 1-3 p.m. on Nov. 16 and at 9:30-11:30 a.m. on Nov. 17
Benefits Office

Computer Workshop

2 p.m. | Security Computer security workshop
McAfee, Room 1214

Resume Blitz

3 p.m. | Critiques before the fall job fair
Career Services, Room 1301

Find Information Fast

3 p.m. | Librarians demonstrate how to use online catalog and databases
Booth Library, Room 4450

ONLINE POLL

This week we ask our readers "What sport will you be watching now that baseball season is over?"

- A) The Eastern football team because it is undefeated in the Ohio Valley Conference.
- B) The Eastern volleyball team because it is hosting the OVC Conference Tournament.
- C) Professional hockey or basketball.
- D) I don't watch sports.

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CORRECTIONS

In Monday's edition of *The Daily Eastern News*, the editorial incorrectly identified what type of government agent was outed in the scandal involving Lewis Libby. The agent was with the CIA. *The News* regrets the error.

Charleston and County waste agreement stalled

BY BRIAN GARTLAN
CITY REPORTER

Charleston's city council will wait until its next meeting to decide if it will enter into a countywide intergovernmental agreement for waste management.

Mayor John Inyart said the agreement would deal with any waste disposal issues within Coles County.

Council member Lorelei Sims asked the council to table the issue until the next meeting to discuss the contract in more detail.

"The language of the contract differs from what was presented to the public," she said.

The waste committee will not serve as an advisory board, Sims said, but if the council agrees, it will create a legislative body that will have more power than the Charleston and Mattoon city councils.

Sims and Inyart said they agree that the concept has merit.

"It's a joint effort so everyone is going about it the same way," Inyart said. "We want to do it together."



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Workers at the Coles County Landfill empty the last truckful of waste Wednesday afternoon. Charleston City Council delayed discussion until the next meeting about the recently proposed intergovernmental waste management agreement.

Council member Larry Rennels said each municipality would be represented on the county board.

He said there would be two representatives from

the county, two from Mattoon, two from Charleston and one from each smaller municipality.

Local officials will elect all waste management

agency members.

"It will be more efficient if we do it as a larger group," Rennels said about the waste management agency.

The Mattoon City Council and the County Board have already approved the agreement.

Mattoon passed the ordinance in its present form and if Charleston's council changes it, Mattoon will have to vote again, Inyart said.

"We all have to agree to the same contract," he said.

The agreement will be paid for originally by Coles County through "tipping fees" that refuse haulers pay to the county whenever they drop off trash.

Setting up a legislative body will allow them to borrow money and make more rules, Inyart said.

"It will give a lot of power to the (waste) committee," Inyart said. "We want a chance to talk amongst ourselves."

Council member Jim Dunn was not present at the meeting on Tuesday and Rennels said the topic is large enough that the council should decide together.

"It will take time to get answers," Sims said.

Keeping organized is the name of the game

BY MICHELLE BRUEGGEMAN
STAFF REPORTER

With midterms over and the semester coming to a close, students and professors alike may be overwhelmed with the amount of work, and some might be having trouble staying organized.

Some students may not have a specific system of organization, but for communication studies professor Mike Bradd, organization is essential.

Bradd said he stays organized by "getting things back to students as soon as possible." This keeps him from getting "too overwhelmed with grading."

Bradd said he thinks he's still organized, and having something like WebCT helps not only him but his students as well.

Although some students have a system of organization even if they don't realize it, some don't have a system at all.

Sophomore accounting and business management major Kyle Allensworth said he feels overwhelmed because he has so much homework to do.

Although Allensworth feels the stress of college work, freshman English major Jennifer Brnusak said she didn't feel like she had a mid-term.

"I'm still organized, it's just the act of actually settling down to study that I need to work on," Brnusak said.

Mike Ottlinger, a junior communication studies major, said he keeps all of his material in one folder and just sorts it by class.

Lauren Florio, a sophomore special education major, said she thinks she's done a good job of keeping organized.

Florio said she uses her daily student planner and her desk calendar to organize her homework and activities.

Lectures being held on campus for academic success and stress relief are listed in the University Newsletter on the Eastern Web site.

Combating stress through exercise

Flight or fight reaction causes stress

BY SARAH WHITNEY
ADMINISTRATION EDITOR

Students are not the only people on campus who cope with stress.

Lisa Taylor, assistant family and consumer sciences professor, said she thinks professors spend more time preparing for class than students do.

"Preparing for each lecture is like writing a term paper," she said. "The research, making sure your facts are right, for me, at least, takes a lot of time."

Between finding time to grade midterms, finishing their required research and serving on whatever committee, faculty members are as stressed out as students.

"I think time constraints, such as trying to find time to prep for class, is the most stressful part of a faculty member's job," Taylor said.

Mark Kattenbraker, a physical education instructor, agreed.

"That seems to be so," he said. "The day-to-day tasks of the job require a lot of time."

Taylor and Kattenbraker attended Wednesday's faculty development event, "The Wholesome Professor: Reducing Stress While Providing, Teaching, Research, and Service."

Stacey Ruholl, assistant physical education professor,

explained to attendees how exercise helps them manage the stress the "day-to-day tasks" cause.

Ruholl started the lecture by asking each attendee what triggers stress for them. Their answers varied from, Bill Weber, associate vice president for academic affairs, who had a one-word answer of "Banner!" to Taylor's answer of "new house, new job, new state."

Ruholl then explained what the physical effects of stress are and how they relate to the primitive fight or flight instinct.

"The thing we have to keep in mind is that we're no longer in the caveman days, but these things are still happening," Ruholl said.

"For example, if a car cuts in front of you and the kids are in the back seat, your reaction is to break quickly and your adrenaline pumps," she said.

So the human body still reacts with its primitive instincts by triggering the "fight or flight" mindset, but a person doesn't actually fight or flee, Ruholl said. This causes stress.

"Exercise is a wonderful way to get rid of all this extra energy your body has from this flight or fight reaction," she said.

She said that an effective exercise program should consist of three type of exercise: cardiorespiratory endurance, muscular strength and flexibility exercises.

"There's lots of things we can do without going to a fitness center," she said. "You don't have to spend a lot of time or money going to a gym, but you need to prioritize and set aside a time to improve your stress rate."

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COMMENTARY



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FACEBOOK NOT THE SAME AS FACE-TO-FACE

One of my friends approached me the other day to tell me, triumphantly, that she had just blocked one of her "friends" on Facebook. She did it because she was mad at her friend, for what exactly I can't remember, but I'm sure it was petty. My response: "Are you kidding?"

There have been at least five people ask me in the past week whether I was "on Facebook." No, I'm not. And I won't be, ever. Not because I don't know about it or how to use it, but because I think it's pointless.

I will admit I have looked through other people's Facebook profiles to see what the craze is all about (not to mention I thought I needed to in order to write this column). After doing that, I arrived at the conclusion I thought I would. I see Facebook the same way I see AOL's Instant Messenger, MySpace and ICQ (if you can remember back that far); I see it as a waste of time.

Maybe I'm behind the times (all right, I am behind the times), but I don't understand online interaction. When I was in eighth grade I downloaded ICQ, an online communication tool much like AIM, but I didn't like it. I couldn't always interpret how people were meaning to say things, and I thought blocking people or going invisible while you were actually online was kind of offensive. Still, I tried again. My freshman year I let my roommate set up an AIM profile for me. I think

I might still have an account, but even if I do, I guarantee I don't have more than five buddies. I haven't logged onto it since the first week after it was set up. Now, with MySpace and Facebook, I'm not even putting in the effort.

"Online communication is lazy, and it's making people apathetic. I think it's hurting the way people interact with each other."

I believe in real interaction. I call people, arrange lunch dates and stop by my friends' places to keep up on what's going on. If my friends have something to tell me, I want to hear the excitement in their voice when they do. If something bad has happened, I want them to be able to hear the concern in my voice for them. I just think it's much more genuine to actually talk with people as opposed to leaving typed messages for someone to receive the next time they log on to their computer.

The same goes for people I don't care for. If I'm upset with someone, I would much rather tell that person than block them from my Facebook account. I want them to know they hurt me and hear it in my voice. If people make me mad, I want to tell them, very loudly and angrily, why.

Online communication is lazy, and it's making people apathetic. I think it's hurting the way people interact with each other. I actually know a couple who have broken up through AIM, and I have friends who will leave away messages, specifically aimed at burning other people who have, in some way or another, angered them. These are things that deserve sufficient interaction, and people are using the Internet to escape that responsibility.

I'm not completely against using the Internet to connect with people. Facebook, MySpace and whatever other programs there are, I'm sure, can be great for entertainment and fun. But people are using them the wrong way and relying too much on them for communication. You shouldn't have to block a friend to make a point. There are better, more meaningful ways to reach people.

EDITORIAL CARTOON BY DAVID PENNELL



EDITORIAL

Taking a look at both sides

Establishing smoke-free residence halls is an effort that has been evolving for several years at Eastern and has been conducted with careful consideration of students' needs. Instead of relinquishing Eastern from being among the last remaining universities in Illinois that allow smoking in designated areas within residence halls, RHA and Housing and Dining Services have worked efficiently to examine all factors and extend opportunities to students to voice concerns and offer suggestions.

The elimination of smoking floors in residence halls was an issue discussed three years ago resulting in a decrease of 22 floors available to smokers and a plan to reevaluate the issue of filling floors and the decision's impact on students at a later, pertinent time.

While Eastern's three residence halls with smoking floors, Andrews Hall, Weller Hall and Thomas Hall, are currently unable to fill floors with smokers only, a policy reevaluation is optimal.

"The right of a non-smoker to protect his/her health and comfort takes precedence over another person's right to smoke," as stated in Eastern's Housing and Dining Handbook.

Therefore, without enough students to fill smoking floors in residence halls, the Residence Hall Association is responding accordingly, giving halls an opportunity to propose to keep smoking floors, phase out smoking floors within a year or eliminate smoking floors for fall 2006.

At issue

Smoking and non-smoking floors in residence halls on campus.

Our stance

RHA and Housing and Dining Services are doing all that each organization can to handle this situation correctly. Because this is the choice of each residence hall, it is the responsibility of each hall to decide if smoking floors are necessary or not by the amount of smokers or non-smokers residing there.

RHA voted 34-3 last Thursday in favor of eliminating the two smoking floors in Andrews Hall, after receiving the hall's proposal, and will vote today on whether or not to eliminate the smoking floors in Weller Hall and Thomas Hall, after receiving each hall's proposal. Recommendations will be given to Mark Hudson, director of Housing and Dining Services, and Housing and Dining Services will decide to either keep or modify proposals.

RHA, Housing and Dining Services and Hudson recognize the decision to phase out smoking floors is dependent upon the students' needs.

Hudson says it is possible the number of male and female smoking floors to be disproportionate, if the floor can be filled by smoking students.

Similarly, the needs of non-smokers have not been disregarded in evaluating the need for smoking floors in residence halls and consideration has been given to the number of complaints nonsmokers have made about living on a smoking floor.

Eastern is currently the only state university in Illinois with smoking floors, and with RHA and Housing and Dining Services already working to meet the needs of residents, the only additional effort to possibly make is for students to continue making their requests known.

The editorial is the majority opinion of The Daily Eastern News editorial board.

YOUR TURN: LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

U.S. CAPITALISM: NEGATING HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

What does it say about a country when its government cuts programs designed to help the least among us?

We need to ponder this question because last week Congress voted to cut Medicare and Medicaid spending for the first time in those programs history. These programs might not seem important to the average citizen, however, they are vitally important to those who cannot help themselves, as well as the elder-

ly and the poor.

In this country it is perfectly logical to spend an ever increasing amount on carnage under the guise of a defense budget; however, it has been thought of as wrong to give health care to those who need it.

People are dying in this country all in the name of capitalism, but it's time to realize that unfettered capitalism is not a sustainable system because many are needlessly dying for the sacrosanct system of capitalism.

There are over 44 million people

without health care in this country, the largest segment of classified as poor is college students, so we must reform our the tax code and reprioritize our agenda.

We must provide health care for all Americans, we must provide a quality education for all Americans, we must ensure that all people have the basic necessities for life and we can't do that when lining the pockets of corporate executives and defense contractors.

TRAVIS BOUNDS

SENIOR, POLITICAL SCIENCE MAJOR

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MAKING STRIDES

Greek organizations separate but strive toward same goal

By KAYLA CROW
STAFF REPORTER

Eastern's Greek Community consists of three different councils that govern how their members participate in Greek Life.

The Interfraternity Council (IFC), Panhellenic Council (PHC) and National Pan-Hellenic Councils (NPHC) all have organizations on campus. IFC has nine fraternities and PHC has nine sororities. Both groups are historically predominantly white organizations.

NPHC has four groups on campus, two fraternities and two sororities. NPHC is historically an African-American organization.

Though all groups consist of Eastern students who share the common goal of belonging to a Greek organization, they are all governed differently.

"There are differences between all three," said Bob Dudolski, director of Greek Life. "They have three different national structures which dictate how they run."

The mission statement for the NPHC on the Eastern Greek Life Web site, states that the mission of the organization is to "promote cooperation and harmony between member

organizations and between members and other campus organizations to develop a positive relationship for the Greek community."

Chiquitta Allen, a senior business management major and member of Delta Sigma Theta NPHC sorority, said that NPHC is an organization that strives to promote unity, academics and service across the community.

"We promote unity throughout the black community," Allen said. "We try to better the black community and the community as a whole."

Like the NPHC, the PHC also strives to make its members better members of society and help Eastern's and Charleston's community.

PHC's mission statement on the Eastern Greek Life Web site states that the group strives to support its members, campus, community and themselves through "the promotion and celebration of diversity, honesty, integrity and loyalty."

Cara Snyder, a junior communication studies major and PHC cabinet member, said the PHC committee makes sure that the Greek community members and others on campus are informed of what is going on.

"We raise money and awareness for different activities that the university does," Snyder said. "We want every-

Greek governing organization

- ◆ Interfraternity Council - governs nine fraternities on campus
- ◆ Panhellenic Council - governs nine sororities on campus
- ◆ National Pan-Hellenic Council - governs traditionally black Greek organizations, two fraternities and two sororities on campus

one to be well informed about what is going on around campus and to help out."

NPHC members also try to get the word out about Eastern and participate in activities around campus.

"(Delta Sigma Theta) participated in Take Back the Night to help stop domestic violence," Allen said. "We also work with Special Olympics and Panther Pals."

NPHC organizations also try to make sure that students on campus feel comfortable around campus and that they do not have any questions about anything having to do with Eastern.

The members try to make sure that they share everything they have learned about Eastern with the university's newest members by holding a freshman forum where they answer any questions that students may have.

The questions can cover anything from social issues to tips about the

way Eastern works to time management skills. The goal of the event is to try to help increase Eastern's retention rate, Allen said.

One of the biggest differences between IFC, PHC and NPHC is the way that their rush process runs.

IFC and PHC have a formal rush within the first few weeks of the new school year every year. During their rush, people who are interested in rushing are invited to a series of open houses to find out about what the sororities or fraternities have to offer.

They then narrow down the number of houses that they visit until it is down to just a few who then get to know the person and decide if they want to invite them to join their organization.

After a person accepts a bid, they go through a process to get acquainted with the history of the organization and learn the rules and practices of the organization before becoming active

members.

NPHC rush is different from IFC and PHC because there is no set time when rush has to be done. It can take members whenever it decides to.

"When we decide we want member intake (new members) we have informationals both as the NPHC organization and as individual groups," Allen said. "We give them the information that they need to know."

Potential members are educated about the history of NPHC and the individual organizations. These informationals are a very important part of joining an NPHC organization.

Currently, there are few members in the four organizations in NPHC. Delta Sigma Theta has nine members while Alpha Phi Alpha has three members, Allen said.

In comparison, Delta Delta Delta, Eastern's newest sorority, has an officer board of 22 members according to the Eastern Greek Life Tri-Delta Web site.

Though there are many differences between Eastern's different Greek organizations, they all share the common bond of wanting to help make the campus and the community a better place.

"We want to help all (Eastern's) students," Allen said. "We want to make sure the university has a good image."

New apartment complex with increased benefits in the works

Unique Homes looks to relocate near campus

By ROB SIEBERT
STAFF REPORTER

The wheels were set in motion on Tuesday for what may end up becoming a new apartment complex just outside of Eastern Illinois University.

In a unanimous vote, the Charleston City Council granted Unique Homes the annexation of two acres of land off 18th Street and Edgar Avenue.

Though the location currently houses the Unique Homes lumberyard and business offices, the company is looking to relocate to a large

er working space. With two acres of soon-to-be-open land, a potential business opportunity was recognized.

"We didn't have to be rocket scientists," said Reginald Phillips, owner of Unique Homes. "The best option for us was obviously student rental."

Now that the land has been annexed, Unique Homes will seek out a building permit from the city, commence designing the complex and begin scouting new locations for their lumberyard and offices.

"Whenever a resident asks for the annexation of land that is within city limits, we usually accommodate them," council member Larry Rennels said.

Phillips said the building's location would serve as an advantage to Eastern students, as it's "right across

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REGINALD PHILLIPS, UNIQUE HOMES OWNER

the street from campus, students can basically walk to the university."

Rennels said the complex might also relieve traffic tension, as its entrance would not be connected to Woodland Avenue.

Phillips said he guarantees the new complex will be "second to none." Each unit will have a bathroom, walk-in closet and washer-dryer. Rooms will also be equipped with the latest sound-deadening designs, to provide for a peaceful study area.

Plans are also in motion to equip the building with a fitness center, tanning bed, juice bar, various security cameras to ensure safety and a "theater room."

The complex may also include an area that allows pets.

Phillips said the new complex will be well-suited not only for Eastern students, but for professionals, and "people who don't necessarily want to be around students."

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Stocks rise Wednesday on strong Time Warner earnings, falling oil

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK— Stocks moved sharply higher Wednesday on strong earnings from Time Warner Inc. and declining oil prices. A big upswing in tech stocks lifted the Nasdaq composite index well over 1 percent.

With three-quarters of third-quarter earnings reported, the Standard & Poor's 500 are poised to post a 14 percent year-over-year quarterly gain.

Traders continue to watch earnings while they wait for details on the economic outlook from the Federal Reserve, which raised its benchmark interest rate to 4 percent Tuesday, its 12th consecutive rate hike.

"Interest rates are still rising, but for the moment, we have great corporate profits," said Charles H. Blood Jr., senior financial markets analyst at Brown Brothers Harriman & Co. "It's like a race between interest rates and profits. One day interest rates seem to win, the next day profits seem to win."

The result is a market where large-cap stocks are nearly flat for the year.

NASA, partners mark five years of humans aboard orbiting outpost

HOUSTON— The international space station Wednesday marked five continuous years of people living and working aboard it.

But there wasn't much time for celebration.

The station's two residents spent the day cleaning air filters, upgrading exercise equipment and doing other maintenance. Astronaut William McArthur Jr. and cosmonaut Valery Tokarev, who arrived Oct. 3 for a six-month stay, also prepared for a spacewalk next week.

Former station astronaut Michael Fincke said there were handshakes, smiles and congratulatory e-mails at NASA's Johnson Space Center, but work prevented too long a pause.

"It's not that we're not feeling celebratory," he said. "The space shuttle isn't flying right now. And we got to figure out how to finish flying the space shuttle in the next four years and to finish building the space station like we promised to."

Senate's 'Gang of 14' breaking down, making Alito confirmation road smoother

WASHINGTON— The 14 centrists who averted a Senate breakdown over judicial nominees last spring are showing signs of splintering on President Bush's latest nominee for the Supreme Court.

That is weakening the hand of Democrats opposed to conservative judge Samuel Alito and enhancing his prospects for confirmation.

The unity of the seven Democrats and the seven Republicans in the "Gang of 14" was all that halted a major filibuster fight between GOP leader Bill Frist and Democratic leader Harry Reid earlier this year over Bush's lower court nominees.

The early defection of two of the group's Republicans, Mike DeWine of Ohio and Lindsey Graham of South

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Carolina, could hurt if Democrats decide to attempt a filibuster of Alito, the New Jersey jurist Bush nominated Monday to replace retiring Sandra Day O'Connor.

U.S. trade ambassador says fate of December trade talks hangs on EU

WASHINGTON— U.S. Trade Representative Rob Portman urged European negotiators Wednesday to promise deeper agricultural tariff cuts at crucial trade meetings next week and said global trade talks in December could be jeopardized if they don't.

European and U.S. farm subsidies and tariffs, and the extent to which countries will cut them, have become the focus of talks aimed at forging a deal before December's meeting of the World Trade Organization's 148 countries in Hong Kong.

"If we can't pull together next week," Portman said, speaking about the U.S.-Europe agriculture negotiations, "I think it's very difficult to see how we can pull together the other issues ... in time for a successful Hong Kong meeting. So the pressure's on."

Top House tax writer weighing capital gains against alternative minimum tax

WASHINGTON— The House's top tax writer said Wednesday he is trying to decide whether Congress should extend tax cuts for capital gains and dividends or prevent the alternative minimum tax from hitting millions more taxpayers next year.

House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas said he cannot do both this year because the two items will not fit in a \$70 billion tax cut outlined in the GOP's budget.

"I'm weighing them," said Thomas, R-Calif. "The scale hasn't shifted yet."

On one hand, Thomas said, financial markets expect lawmakers to act this year to prevent the capital gains and dividends tax rate from increasing in 2009.

Not acting could "spoil" the advantage to tax cuts in 2007 and 2008.

Utah Supreme Court hears case of polygamous judge who may be removed

PROVO, Utah (AP) — A small-town judge who has three wives should not be removed from the bench because his private behavior has not tarnished the office he holds, the judge's attorney told the Utah Supreme Court on Wednesday.

Judge Walter Steed was found to be a polygamist by the state's Judicial Conduct Commission, and the panel issued an order seeking his removal from the bench in February.

Monsters existed before Frankenstein

BY KATE KONIECZNY
STAFF REPORTER

Donning a tie decorated with skulls, Bailey Young, moderator of the "Monsters Before Frankenstein" panel, welcomed a full house with "I'm frightfully glad to see all of you here tonight."

Wednesday night in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union, four Eastern professors showed how monsters have been around since literature started; Young cited the example of the monster Humbaba in "The Epic of Gilgamesh," as one of the first.

The first speaker, English professor David Raybin compared the images of Satan in "Dante's Inferno," to Chaucer's "The Canterbury Tales." While in Dante's Hell, Satan is viewed head on, chewing Judas in the mouth of his middle head, in "The Canterbury Tales," Chaucer shows friars "right so as bees out swarmed from a hyve, Out of the Devils ers ther gone dryve."

Jan Marquardt, an art professor, took the study of monsters to a more visual prospective, showing slides of the cathedral of Autun in Burgundy, France, in which images such as The Fall of Adam and Eve, The Last Judgment and Depictions of Heaven and Hell cover the arches of the north and west portal in order to frighten the people into repenting.

Grant Sterling, philosophy profes-

sor read an essay on J.R.R. Tolkien's review of "Beowulf," to show that the popular belief that monsters only "degrade works for the barbaric masses" is far from true.

Bonnie Irwin, dean of the Eastern Honors College, ended the event with her comparison of Sinbad's adventures to "Frankenstein." She went through each of Sinbad's voyages, explaining the monsters he encountered such as a large bird and a cannibal.

Lindsay Ragle, a freshman English major, came to the exhibit for credit for Irwin's scholarship class and also because she said "it is interesting to me." She said she has also attended several other Booth Library events including the showing of "Young Frankenstein" and the opening of the exhibit.

Ragle said she thought Irwin did the best job of the presenters in relating her material to "Frankenstein."

"It's fascinating to think about how 'Frankenstein,' which Mary Shelley wrote when she was just 19, the age many of our students are, has had such a lasting impact on our culture," Irwin said about why the panel and the "Frankenstein" exhibit as a whole should attract students. "Students should be thinking about the art of 'Frankenstein,' the influence of 'Frankenstein' and also about what kind of mark they want to make on the world, as Mary Shelley did."

Death sentence thrown out in notorious N.J. case

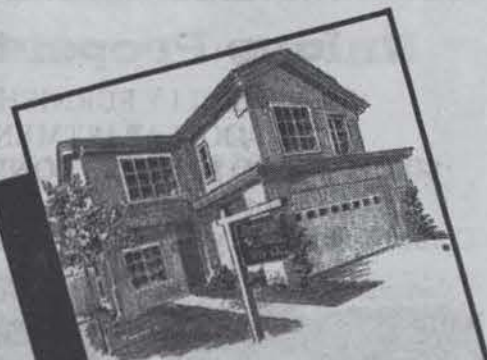
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TRENTON, N.J.— A federal appeals court Wednesday threw out a former insurance salesman's death sentence for arranging his wife's murder 22 years ago in a case that was the subject of a true-crime book and a TV miniseries.

The 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Philadelphia found that Robert O. Marshall's lawyer did not adequately represent him during the death penalty phase that followed his 1986 conviction. The court ordered that he receive a new death penalty hearing or a life sentence.

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Iran's regime firing 40 ambassadors

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TEHRAN, Iran — Iran's government announced Wednesday that 40 ambassadors and senior diplomats, including supporters of warmer ties with the West, will be fired, continuing a purge of reformers as the regime takes an increasingly tough stance at home and abroad.

The diplomatic changes are part of a government shake-up by ultraconservative President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad that includes putting Islamic hard-liners in key posts at security agencies. Some Iranians worry the president will bring back strict social policies.

Ahmadinejad has steered the Persian state into a more confrontational stance in its dealings with other nations, particularly in facing suspicions about whether Iran's nuclear program is illicitly trying to develop nuclear weapons, a charge the regime denies.

The president also raised a storm of international criticism last week by calling for Israel to be "wiped off the map."

Foreign Minister Manouchehr Mottaki announced the diplomatic shuffle to parliament. He said that "the missions of more than 40 ambassadors and heads of Iranian diplomatic missions abroad will expire by the end of the year," which is March 20 under the Iranian calendar.

Since winning election in June to succeed reformist President Mohammad Khatami, Ahmadinejad has taken a harder line in negotiations with the European Union over Iran's nuclear program.

Hard-liners have criticized Khatami's government for agreeing to freeze much of Iran's nuclear activities, and Ahmadinejad has

already replaced the negotiating team with hard-liners.

"He wants to remove any official or diplomat with liberal thinking or anybody who backs better relations with the West," said political analyst Davoud Hermdas Bavand.

Mottaki, whose announcement was reported by the state-run Islamic Republic News Agency, did not specify which ambassadors were being removed.

IRNA, however, said they include Iran's ambassador to Britain, Mohammad Hossein Adeli, a leading member of the pragmatic foreign policy wing that supports improved contacts with Europe and other countries.

Officials at the Foreign Ministry also said the ambassadors to France, Germany and Malaysia — all with links to moderates — would be fired. The officials agreed to discuss the firings only on condition of anonymity, because they are not authorized to speak to journalists.

Mottaki said Iran's envoy to the United Nations, Mohammad Javad Zarif, who is known for his pragmatic approach, would keep his post. Zarif, however, previously was removed from Iran's nuclear negotiating team.

Iran's top security decision-making body, the Supreme National Security Council, which oversees the nuclear talks, also has been caught up in government overhaul. Among the new members is Mohammad Jafari, a former commander of the elite Revolutionary Guards.

Ahmadinejad also has appointed hard-liners to senior Interior Ministry posts and replaced most of Iran's provincial governors during the past month.

Tensions with Europe and the United States are high after Ahmadinejad's regime

resumed the conversion of uranium into gas. That is the final step before enrichment, which produces radioactive material that is usable both as reactor fuel and for atomic bombs.

Washington accuses Iran of secretly trying to develop atomic arms in violation of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty. Tehran denies that, saying the nuclear program is intended only to produce electricity.

The board of the U.N. nuclear watchdog agency, the International Atomic Energy Agency, meets Nov. 24 to review Iran's cooperation on the nuclear issue. Washington and European nations want Tehran referred to the U.N. Security Council.

To show it is cooperating with the IAEA, Iran let U.N. inspectors last week look for signs of a secret nuclear arms program at Parchin, a high-security military site, diplomats close to the IAEA said Wednesday.

Iran also handed over documents and granted interviews with several senior officials thought linked to black market purchases of uranium enrichment technology, one diplomat said.

But at the same time, the regime also takes a harsh tone about the West.

On Wednesday, more than 10,000 demonstrators shouted "Death to America" and "Death to Israel" in front of the former U.S. Embassy — the largest such demonstration in years.

Hard-liners organize protests at the site annually to mark the anniversary of the embassy's seizure on Nov. 4, 1979, by militants who held 52 Americans hostage for 444 days. The United States broke relations with Tehran after the takeover, and they have not been restored.

Official death toll jumps to more than 73,000 in quake

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan — Pakistan's official earthquake death toll jumped by 16,000, and officials warned Wednesday that it is likely to rise further as relief supplies fail to reach thousands of victims stranded in remote parts of the Himalayas.

The announcement, which puts the official toll at 73,000, brings the central government figures closer to the number reported by local officials, who say the Oct. 8 quake killed at least 79,000 people in Pakistan.

"Just imagine how many villages and towns became a heap of rubble and how many people got buried," said Maj. Gen. Farooq Ahmed Khan told reporters.

Khan said 73,276 people have been confirmed dead in Pakistan and Pakistani-controlled Kashmir, up from the official count of 57,597. In India's portion of Kashmir, an additional 1,350 people died.

More than 69,000 people had severe injuries, with the total number of injured much higher, the general said.

Khan attributed the spike in deaths to bodies being recovered from the debris, and warned "there is likelihood of further increase" in the death toll. The government has been cautious about the official death count, while regional officials from Pakistani Kashmir and the North West Frontier Province issued their higher tolls more than a week ago.

Top U.N. relief coordinator Jan Egeland told PBS "there are many thousands, potentially tens of thousands, up there in the mountains that are wounded we haven't gotten to." He said a "second wave of death" could come from "people who could freeze to death, starve to death, or just be sick because of infected water."

U.N. officials say money for distribution of relief supplies was running dangerously low. Donors have pledged \$131 million of the \$550 million sought by the United Nations for emergency quake aid.

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18 One year record

19 Proctor's instruction

20 It's in poetry

21 Family girl

22 Kind of ribs

24 Weighed down

26 Solid-colored pool ball

29 Cable channel

31 Music category

32 Exuded class

35 Eager player's cry

40 Having nobody owing anybody

41 Financial institution

43 Some twist it before eating

44 The world, according to Pistol, in "The Merry Wives of Windsor"

47 Slash

50 Overnight site

52 Monopoly deed

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54 Blue-blooded

59 Whelp

61 Dark

62 Thug's piece

64 Big dipper

68 In New Zealand, it means "normal"

69 Shift in steps

71 Retired

72 Indirect references

73 John on a farm

74 Purse taker

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1 Dress (resemble)

2 Fit (in)

3 Rover's owner

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8 "Love" (1957 #1 hit)

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10 One way to fly

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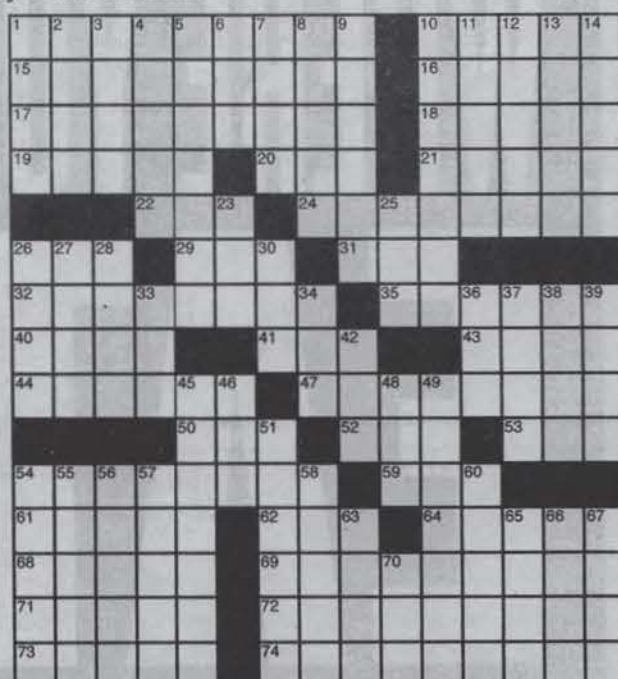
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26 "The Cosby Show" boy

27 Rolling

28 Confucius's "Book of ____"

30 German dessert

33 Army member

34 Corporate department

36 Unduly

37 Portico adornments

38 Material

39 Beginning of a plea

42 Women's ____

45 Shallow period

46 Soldier's reward

48 Food giant

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56 Classroom fixture

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STATE BRIEFS

ICC nominee under fire as lawmakers take up nomination

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

SPRINGFIELD — Senate Democratic leaders predicted doom for Gov. Rod Blagojevich's nominee to run the state's utility regulation board Wednesday, even as the governor and new chairman urged state lawmakers for last-minute support.

Sen. Rickey Hendon predicted the Senate Executive Appointments Committee that he heads would reject Martin Cohen's appointment as chairman of the Illinois Commerce Commission when it meets Thursday morning. If the committee rejects Cohen, the full Senate would still need to vote on his nomination.

Senate President Emil Jones said he believed the Senate would not confirm Cohen into the job largely because of his previous job as head of the consumer advocate Citizens Utility Board. CUB is a frequent critic of the utilities that come before the commission with rate increase requests and other issues.

Lawmakers vote 48-7 to lower legal tattoo age from 21 to 18 years old

SPRINGFIELD — State lawmakers have lowered the legal age for tattoos in Illinois despite the governor's objections.

The Senate voted 48-7 Wednesday for lowering the age for tattoos from 21 to 18. The House approved the measure last week, so it becomes law.

Lawmakers approved the idea along with stronger penalties for illegal tattooing in the spring. But Gov. Rod Blagojevich vetoed that idea this summer, saying 18-year-olds don't have the proper judgment to make such a permanent decision.

Supporters of the changes say they will bring Illinois in line with 37 other states and give law enforcement more power to go after violators.

Defamation lawsuit filed by Bo Jackson against California newspaper dismissed

CHICAGO— A federal judge has dismissed Bo Jackson's defamation lawsuit against a California newspaper that apologized and retracted part of a story that said the former football and baseball star used steroids.

Judge James B. Moran ruled Oct. 27 that the federal court in Chicago did not have jurisdiction in the lawsuit against the Ontario, Calif.-based Inland Valley Daily Bulletin.

Jackson's attorney, Dan Biederman, did not immediately return a telephone call Tuesday from The Associated Press.

GRANT:

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"It's kind of like having an old car that keeps breaking down," Lawrence said, jokingly.

One of the advantages of the new spectrometer is that it can analyze solid substances. The old machine was only able to look at liquid substances.

"(Nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometers) are one of the most important

instruments used by chemists today," Lawrence said.

The machine works by inserting a sample in a test tube at the center of the canister. The test tube is then rotated at a high rate while a superconducting magnetic coil causes the nuclei of the atom to become aligned.

Once the nuclei are aligned, they are struck with radio waves, causing them to become radioactive which then makes it pos-

sible for a scientist or student to then identify the molecular composition of the sample.

The spectrometer is located on the third floor of the south side of the Physical Science Building. Chemistry, biology and pre-med students will use it in laboratory courses and research activities.

Installation of the spectrometer was completed in August and the department used the remaining funds to train people in how to use it.

SENATE:

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Chelsea Frederick, student vice president for academic affairs, agreed, stating students needed to be held to more responsibility about their advising.

"We should not be sitting here saying 'my adviser did this, this and this,'" Frederick said. "This is a compromising point. This holds professors accountable but students even more accountable."

After discussion ended, the senate passed the resolution 25-2.

Also during the meeting, Student Body President Ryan Berger commented on the state of the 7th Street Underground renovations.

"Construction costs are still in process," Berger said. "It is going to be extremely expensive, I'm guessing at least \$50,000 for the loft alone. But it (the renovation) is going to be something that is going to be there for a very long

time."

The renovations will still most likely need to be phased in, he said.

Lacy also discussed RSO funding.

"I really want this to happen," she said. "I want to see this happen before I leave. I don't want to be the fourth or fifth person in my position to just promise this or make it a campaign platform."

Lacy said if funding can't be completed by the time she gradu-

ates, she would like to see a committee created to continue work on the topic.

Also, Ben Marcy, chair of the external relations committee, said the area of Fourth Street from Lincoln to Polk avenues and Buchanan Avenue from Second to Sixth streets would be closed for the next few days for resurfacing.

"(The city council) just wanted to make sure students knew it would be closed for a few days," Marcy said.

New runway safety system to be installed at 14 national airports

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON— A new radar system designed to keep airplanes from colliding on the ground will be installed at 14 airports, starting in January in Seattle, the Federal Aviation Administration said Wednesday.

Called Airport Surface Detection Equipment, Model X, or ASDE-X, the system lets air traffic controllers view on a screen all aircraft and vehicles as they move around the airport.

FAA spokesman Greg Martin said ASDE-X is an improvement over another system that's been deployed at the largest U.S. airports.

"Our aviation safety priority is in the air and on the ground," Martin said.

The worst aviation accident in history happened on a runway in 1977 when two jumbo jets collided in the Canary Islands, killing 582 people.

National Air Traffic Controllers Association President John Carr said the FAA should install ASDE-X in more airports.

"We have a technology, we know that it works," Carr said. But, he said, the FAA's approach is to "give it to the big kids."

The airports scheduled to receive the new equipment are in Baltimore, Boston, Chicago (Midway and O'Hare), Detroit, Houston (George Bush Intercontinental), New York (LaGuardia), Newark, Washington (Reagan National and Dulles), Seattle and Minneapolis St.-Paul.

Troops to withdraw from Iraq by 2007's end

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON— Former Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle says all U.S. troops ought to be withdrawn from Iraq by the end of 2007.

The South Dakota Democrat, defeated for re-election last November, made the comment in a foreign policy speech set for delivery in Chicago on Wednesday, three days before a planned visit to politically pivotal Iowa.

Daschle has raised his public profile in recent weeks and has not ruled out a presidential run in 2008.

In an advance text of the speech, obtained by The Associated Press, Daschle said terrorism and AIDS had become greater threats under the Bush administration. He accused President Bush of giving rise to "a world opinion that now holds America in lower esteem than ever before."

"Looking at all of these things together, you would have to con-

clude American foreign policy today is broken," Daschle said.

Daschle proposed a "strategic redeployment" in Iraq that would draw down the first 80,000 of the 150,000 U.S. troops by the end of 2006. That should free up an additional 20,000 troops who could be sent to Afghanistan, he said.

He said he has "thought and prayed an awful lot" about his vote in the fall of 2002, when Congress gave Bush the authority to invade Iraq.

"I often get asked whether I made the right or wrong call," he said. "The way these questions are often asked of me, it feels as if it's some kind of game of political gotcha. It is indicative of a disconnected self-indulgence in Washington that believes what matters most is what Washington does and how it feels about what it has done."

He added that he received misleading information in the lead-up to the war.

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The Panther Preseason Schedule

- ◆ Thursday vs. Illinois-Springfield, 7:35 p.m. at Lantz Arena
- ◆ Nov. 10 vs. Olivet Nazarene, 7:35 p.m. at Lantz Arena

BASKETBALL:

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"We're going to see how we work in the new system," he said. "We had been looking pretty bad in practice, but I think we're coming together at the right time."

Tandy, last season's Ohio Valley Conference Freshman of the Year, said the game will also give the Panthers a chance to see how their three freshmen are progressing.

One of them, guard Mike Robinson, said he's looking forward to wearing an Eastern jersey for the first time in his career.

"I'm really excited to play my first college game," Robinson said. "I just want to see if all our hard work and all our practice pays off Thursday."

"We want to see the fruits of our labor because we've been working really hard."

Experienced players, like senior guard Josh Gomes, are also ready to take the court — exhibition or not.

"I don't think it's anything different," Gomes said. "It's just an opportunity to finally play against different opponents."

"Everyone's taking this like a real game."

And to Miller, the game has one distinct purpose.

"It's a great thing to play these exhibition games," he said. "We need to get something out of this game, and we need to get better."

Gomes said he's still getting adjusted to the new offensive sets, which isn't unexpected.

"I get the concepts of it, but I'm still trying to find ways to score out of the offense," he said. "Now, it's

"With a new coach, everyone starts at the same point."

MIKE ROBINSON, GUARD

more of just trying to get used to everything — being in the flow and taking and seeing opportunities to score in the offense."

But Gomes isn't the only one still learning.

With a new coaching staff, all of the players are being thrown equal amounts of new information, which Robinson said is an advantage for the freshmen.

"With a new coach, everyone starts at the same point," he said. "No one really knew the offense we were going to run or anything like that so everyone's at the same point."

"That's really good for me because I'm not really left behind."

The Panthers are looking to improve on a 12-16 season and an eighth-place finish in the OVC.

And the journey begins against Illinois-Springfield, a team Miller expects to pressure the Panthers for all 40 minutes.

As of Tuesday, the Panthers still hadn't devoted time to press-breaks.

"We're probably not ready to play a game in the sense that we're prepared for all the things you're going to see in a game," he said. "But, we might be at a point in order to take another step, we need to see where we're at."

But don't get Miller wrong — a victory is still a priority.

"If we're keeping score, it's always important to win."

NFL

Injured rookie receiver Bradley replaced in starting line-up by Gage

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LAKE FOREST — The first-place Chicago Bears placed rookie wide receiver Mark Bradley on injured reserve Wednesday for a knee injury he suffered in their last outing, and turned to a familiar face to replace him.

The Bears said former starter Justin Gage would take Bradley's spot Sunday in Baton Rouge, La., when the Bears play the New Orleans Saints.

Gage lost the position to Bradley in the fourth game of the season, but Bradley suffered a season-ending torn right anterior cruciate ligament in Sunday's 19-13 win at Detroit.

"It just shows you how fast things can change and turn around," Gage said. "You've always got to be prepared to play at this level, so now I get an opportunity."

"I'm just ready to go out there and do it and have fun."

Gage had only two catches his first three games, and was among the game-day inactives two weeks ago during a 10-6 win over Baltimore.

"It was real tough, just sitting up there and watching the guys you come to work with every day going out on the field and playing and competing," Gage said. "Not having the opportunity to be out there, it makes you re-evaluate what you're doing and makes you change a lot of things around and look at the program from a wider perspective and see what you can do to get better."

The Bears said they might also use special teams player Carl Ford at wide receiver in some situations, and on Wednesday they had rookie fifth-round draft pick Aiyse Currie at practice for the first time.

Currie, who had 10 touchdown catches for Clemson his senior season, was on the reserve/non-football injury list after undergoing foot surgery for a stress fracture before April's NFL draft.

He had not practiced at all with the team in the offseason, preseason or regular season.

The Bears have three weeks to examine his progress and decide whether to activate him for their 53-man roster or place him on injured reserve.

"He has good quickness, good speed and he has paid attention to what we're doing," coach Lovie Smith said. "We have some other options we can go with at that position."

"Last year we went with four receivers throughout most of the year so we have a lot of different options. But it was good to see him back on

NBA tickets up 3 percent, to \$45.92

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHICAGO — Following record attendance last season, NBA ticket prices are up an average 3.1 percent this year to \$45.92, according to a report released Wednesday.

A family of four can expect to pay \$267.37 to see a game, up 2.5 percent from last season, according to Chicago-based Team Marketing Report Inc.

The average factors in four tickets, two beers, four soft drinks, four hot dogs, parking, two programs and two adult-sized caps.

The Los Angeles Lakers are still the most expensive ticket, up 2 percent from last season to \$79.21 despite missing the playoffs for the first time in more than a decade. Next most expensive is the New York Knicks at \$70.51 and the Sacramento Kings at \$59.80.

The teams with the biggest ticket price increases are the Phoenix Suns, up 10.6 percent to \$51.66; the Miami Heat, up 10 percent to \$50.87; and the Cleveland Cavaliers, up 8 percent to \$45.52.

Three teams dropped their

prices: the Portland Trail Blazers, Atlanta Hawks and New Orleans Hornets, who will play their games in Oklahoma City because of Hurricane Katrina.

The cheapest tickets remain in Oakland, Calif., where Golden State Warriors fans pay an average of \$23.82 — nearly \$5 less than the any other team.

NBA regular-season attendance averaged 17,314 last season, the highest in league history, while total attendance also was a record at 21.3 million.

TOURNAMENT:

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The Racers defeated Austin Peay 3-0 on Tuesday in a play-in game for the tournament. That game, said Minielli, was the best the team has played all year.

"I guess you could say we're peaking at the right time," Minielli said. "There is a continued confidence with our younger players. They walk on the field and expect to do well."

Two of those young players are

freshmen forwards Rebekah Clay and Krista Llewellyn. The duo is tied for the team lead in goals with 7 apiece.

In order for the Racers to be successful this weekend, Minielli said the team has to play two games like they did against Austin Peay.

"When we play our game, we can play with anyone," he said. "But if there's a little bit of a drop-off, we can get real average, real fast."

Samford, recently ranked in the top 15 of the Southeast region by

"Some people say confidence leads to success or success leads to confidence. I think our success lately has helped with our confidence."

TODD YELTON, HEAD COACH OF NO. 1 SEED SAMFORD

Soccer Buzz magazine and riding a six-game winning streak, is playing with a lot of confidence, head coach Todd Yelton said.

"Some people say confidence leads to success or success leads to confidence," he said. "I think our success lately has helped with our confidence."

The Bulldogs lead the conference in goals against average at 0.51, and have only allowed ten goals all year.

Sophomore forward Rebecca Bohler has 11 assists on the year, leading the conference and 18th nationally. Bulldog freshman goalie Cayley Winters has allowed

5 goals in 14 games for a 0.48 goals against average, ninth best in the nation and first in the OVC.

Yelton, whose team is looking for its first OVC tournament championship after losing to Eastern the last two years in the title game, said the season would not be a disappointment if they do not win the tournament.

"Obviously, we'd like to consider the last two years," he said.

"But I don't think the weekend results, if not in our favor, will throw away what we've accomplished this season."

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TOP CAT : JESSICA BLONDELL

THE FRESHMAN WITH FRESH LEGS

BLONDELL NAMED OHIO VALLEY'S BEST FIRST-YEAR RUNNER

BY DERRICK JOHNSON II ♦ STAFF REPORTER

Eastern's cross country team served up a lot of surprises at Saturday's Ohio Valley Conference Championships. ♦ After the Panthers' men's team claimed their fifth title in six years and the women took second after finishing fourth in 2004, they topped it off with two individual awards.

Head coach Geoff Masanet won coach of the year and Jessica Blondell won the OVC Freshman of the Year award for her part in the Panthers success.

"To tell you the truth I was just really surprised," Blondell said. "It's really exciting."

Even though Jessica was astonished by receiving the award, her sister wasn't. After running with Jessica for a season at Eastern, sophomore Jillian Blondell said it wasn't a big shock to hear that Jessica was presented with the award.

"It doesn't really surprise me," Blondell said. "I know that she's capable of it because she's one of the most hard working people that I know."

All of that hard work has paid off for Blondell. Not only did she win the women's OVC freshman of the year but she nearly made the OVC second team all conference. Blondell finished 16th, only two places behind the last all-conference spot, with a time of 19:05.08.

Some runners might be disappointed after just missing the all-conference team, but Blondell sees the outcome of the race in a different light.

"I didn't really mind because the two people in front of me (Angie Simone and Nicole Flounders) have been here longer," Blondell said. "I'm only a freshman and it's just my first year here."

Even though she is a freshman, Blondell still sets high goals for herself. With the NCAA Regional cross country meet still ahead and two track seasons left, she has raised the bar.

"Next year I'd like to be all-conference," Blondell said. "I was real close to breaking 19 minutes and that has been my goal all season. I'm also really looking forward to track."

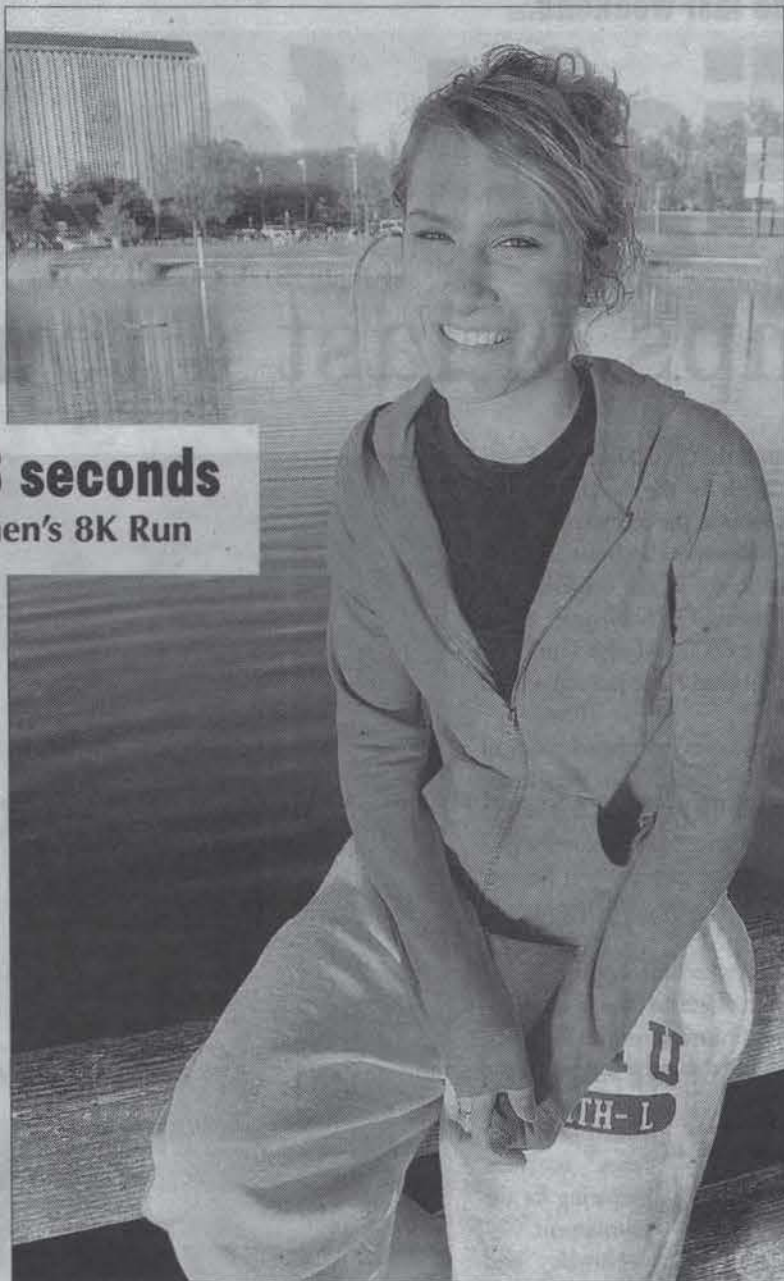
Overall, Blondell has already achieved much in her first cross country season that she can be satisfied with.

She isn't the only one who's proud of what she's accomplished though. Jillian expressed nothing but pride in everything that her sister has attained.

"I'm proud of her because I know that she deserves it," Blondell said. "Watching her run motivates me to be a better runner than I was."

"That's why I'm glad that she decided to come (to Eastern)."

19 minutes, 5.08 seconds
16th place in the Women's 8K Run



DANIEL WILLIAMS/THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

While three of her teammates made the women's second team All-OVC squad, freshman Jessica Blondell brought home the hardware, Freshman of the Year.

THILL:

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Eastern won the game, by the way. It was a leapfrog match the whole time.

At that time, going to see Eastern play was, more realistically, going to see Tony Romo play. That's just the way it was: the Romo Show. But the point still remains that seven years ago people went to see the Panthers play. And they came out in droves.

Understandably, as the years went by and Eastern's team got a little worse as Romo graduated to the Cowboys' bench, fewer and fewer people went to go see the games. Case in point, myself. It used to be entirely common to see Eastern students and Charleston natives side-by-side in the stands. Now, not so much.

Even now, as Eastern is 6-2 and an undefeated 5-0 in the OVC, the stands aren't in demand as they once were.

Perhaps one of my colleagues was right saying the reason is the lack of one stand alone star player. This group of Panthers is just that: a group, a team. Not just one player.

Perhaps it is the lack of flare that the Panthers play with that is indicative of a star player that fails to draw the crowds.

But that argument doesn't hold much water as junior strong safety Tristan Burge has four interceptions, two for touchdowns, and is tied for second most touchdowns on the team. Junior running back Vincent Webb is averaging nearly 100 yards a game and junior wide receiver Ryan Voss averages over 16 yards per catch. This Panther team can get it done any way they want.

Of course it could be the fact that the team underachieves. Wait, sorry, I forgot for a second that Eastern was picked to finish fourth in the OVC, only to end up nationally ranked among Division I-AA schools with three games left in the season.

So, I am confused as to why the bleachers aren't buckling under the weight of all the fans this season. Area natives, students, high school kids, everyone should be rushing O'Brien for a chance to see this team.

In fact, I think now might be the perfect time to make a return to O'Brien myself.

David Thill is a junior journalism major. If you would like to talk to him about Tony Romo, and his strong, strong throwing arm, e-mail him at dthill25@hotmail.com.



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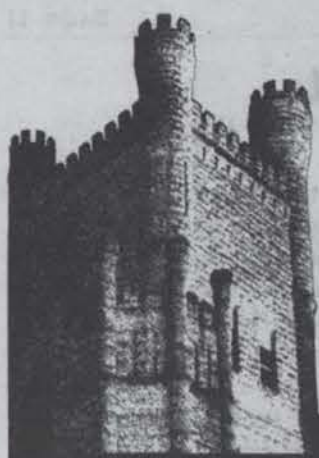
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FRIDAY	W SOCCER VS. SEMO (OVC CONFERENCE TOURNEY)	10 a.m.
	SWIMMING (EIU PANTHER INVITATIONAL)	5 p.m.
	VOLLEYBALL VS. TENNESSEE TECH	7 p.m.

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2004
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THE 2005 O'REILLY OVC SOCCER TOURNAMENT WOMEN'S SOCCER

The season comes down to one last weekend...

The Fight for Five

EIU champs of last 4 tourneys

BY MATT DANIELS
STAFF REPORTER

The top four Ohio Valley Conference teams will descend upon Lakeside Field this weekend for the OVC Tournament. The winner will advance to the NCAA College Cup, something that Eastern has accomplished the past four years.

The host Panthers tangle with Southeast Missouri at 10 a.m. Friday in the first semifinal match. Following the completion of the Eastern-SEMO game, Samford takes on Murray State.

The winners meet Sunday at noon for the title match, televised on ESPN2.

"I honestly feel like this is a very good field," said Eastern head coach Tim Nowak. "All four teams are capable of winning it. I'm not just saying that, I really believe that."

The Panthers and Redhawks faced off against one another on Sept. 23, with the game ending in a 0-0 tie. Eastern fired off four shots on goal, compared to one for SEMO, and also held an 8-1 advantage in corner kicks.

"We dominated them offensively last time so I hope this time we can put one in," said Panther senior goalie Tiffany Groene. "SEMO's always been good competition, they've always been rivals."

The last time the two teams met in the OVC tournament was in the 2002 championship, with Eastern pulling off their second straight title by defeating SEMO on penalty kicks.

"Both teams are pretty much defensive-oriented," Nowak said. "Both teams really focus on limiting scoring opportunities for their opponents. I would expect it to be a low-scoring game and a defensive game but you never know."

SEMO has allowed 11 goals on the year and is led by the solid play of senior goalkeeper Lindsey Pickering. Pickering has 11 shutouts on the year, tops in the OVC. On Wednesday, she

was named the OVC Defensive Player of the Week for the fourth time this season, most in the conference.

The Redhawks also boast the leading goal scorer in the conference in senior forward Lisa Schweppe. She is tied for the OVC lead with Tennessee-Martin forward Katie Jackson with 9 goals.

Eastern comes into the tournament with an 8-9-2 record, its first losing season since the program's first year in 1995. The team has not scored a goal in the last two games, tying Murray State 0-0 and losing to Illinois State 1-0.

Nowak, who was hoping to get more of an offensive flow in the regular season finale against the Redbirds, said he wanted to get a win before the

regular season ended but the team is now preparing for the tournament.

Nowak and his team do not feel any added pressure on trying to secure the program's fifth straight OVC

championship.

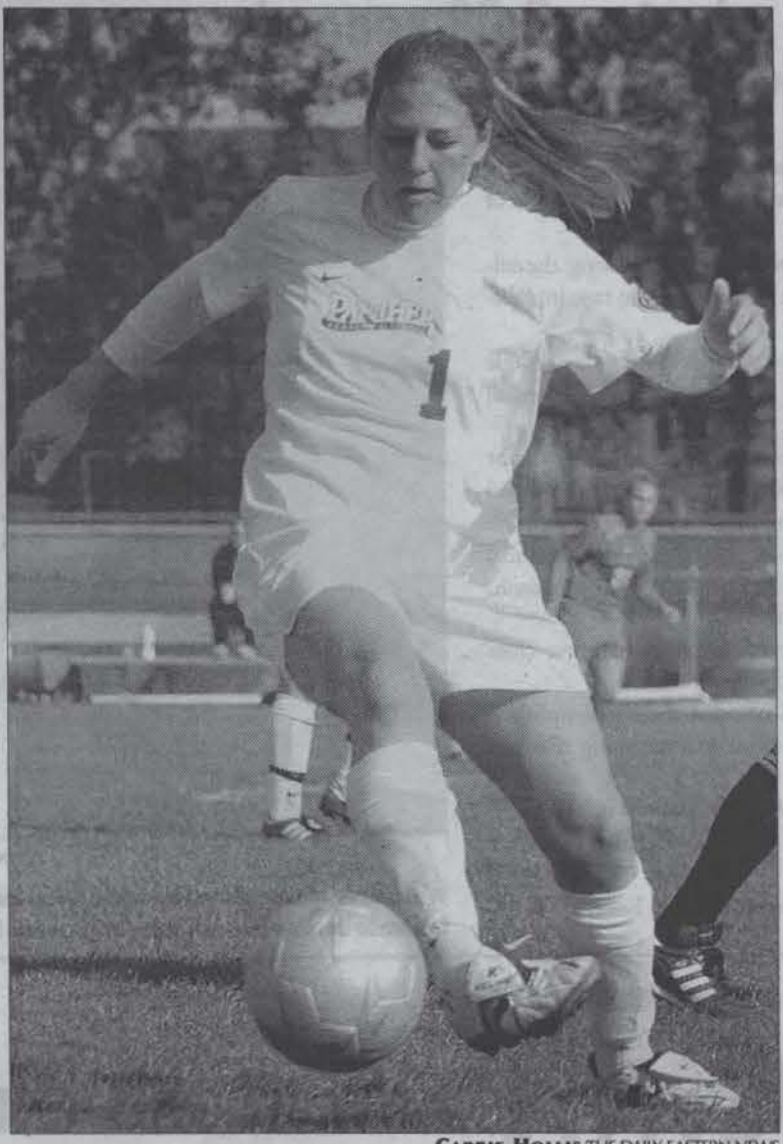
"There's always pressure when it comes to the conference tournament," said senior midfielder Kim Garkie. "I think we might use that pressure to our benefit. We like the pressure and we've always done well when it comes to that situation."

Groene said that everyone on the team is ready for this weekend.

"We've been waiting all year for this," she said. "This is the time when we shine."

In Friday's other semifinal match, the top seed Bulldogs are hoping to avenge their 1-0 loss on Oct. 9 against the Racers. Murray State head coach Mike Minielli said it will be difficult for his team to defeat Samford twice in one year.

"They're the best team we've played all year," he said. "Eastern's got the best defense but they've struggled to score goals. Samford's got the combination of defending well and the ability to score."



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Sophomore midfielder Kathleen Hayes, a starter in all 19 games this year, has a team-high four goals for the defense-oriented Panthers. The host school of the OVC tournament has not won the championship since 1999. That team: Eastern, who defeated Tennessee Tech at Lakeside Field, 3-1.

WHEN : Friday ♦ WHERE : Lakeside Field

What's at stake: A spot in Sunday's OVC tournament championship. The winner receives an automatic bid to the NCAA Championship Tournament.

GAME ONE : 10 a.m.

GAME TWO : noon

No. 2 Eastern Illinois	No. 3 SE Missouri	No. 4 Murray State	No. 1 Samford
Record: 8-9-2 OVC: 6-1-2 Goals: 17 Allowed: 16 Fast Fact: EIU had 10 goals in OVC play, a 1.11 average.	Record: 13-5-1 OVC: 5-3-1 Goals: 36 Allowed: 10 Fast Fact: Sr. Lisa Schweppe has OVC-high-nine goals.	Record: 8-10-2 OVC: 5-3-1 Goals: 31 Allowed: 26 Fast Fact: Beat Samford 1-0 in reg season. Last 10 games: 7-1-2	Record: 14-3-2 OVC: 7-2-0 Goals: 35 Allowed: 10 Fast Fact: Ranked No. 15 in Soccer Buzz SE Regional poll.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

The court is now in session

BY DAN WOIKE
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A new era in Eastern men's basketball gets its start tonight when the Panthers take on Illinois-Springfield in an exhibition game at 7:35 p.m. in Lantz Arena.

For the first time since 1979, the Panthers will take the court without Rick Samuels as their head coach.

Both the players and new head coach Mike Miller are excited to get the season under way, but Miller said game situations should be nothing new to his team.

"What I've been saying since the first day we practiced is 'We have to play like we practice, and we have to practice like we play,'" Miller said. "That's what I want to see when we get out there."

Miller has even simulated game situations like media timeouts and a halftime in an effort to get his players back in routine.

Sophomore center George Tandy said the game with the Prairie Stars gives the team a chance to see how comfortable it is with Miller's basketball philosophy.

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SWINGING FOR THE FENCE
DAVID THILL
STUDENT GOVERNMENT EDITOR

Wins don't always fill empty seats

It isn't that hard for me to remember the last time I went to an Eastern football game, even though it was six years ago.

I was in the ninth grade and my friend Ben and I decided earlier in the day we wanted to go see Eastern beat up on SEMO. Contrary to contemporary belief, back then, attending an Eastern football game was not as easy as strolling up to the ticket office at game time and asking "one, please."

Back then, people actually went to the games and if you hadn't planned ahead, you were lucky to find a seat on the five-yard line in the top row.

Coincidentally, that was where we ended up. O'Brien Stadium was packed and stayed that way until the last second of the fourth quarter ticked away.

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